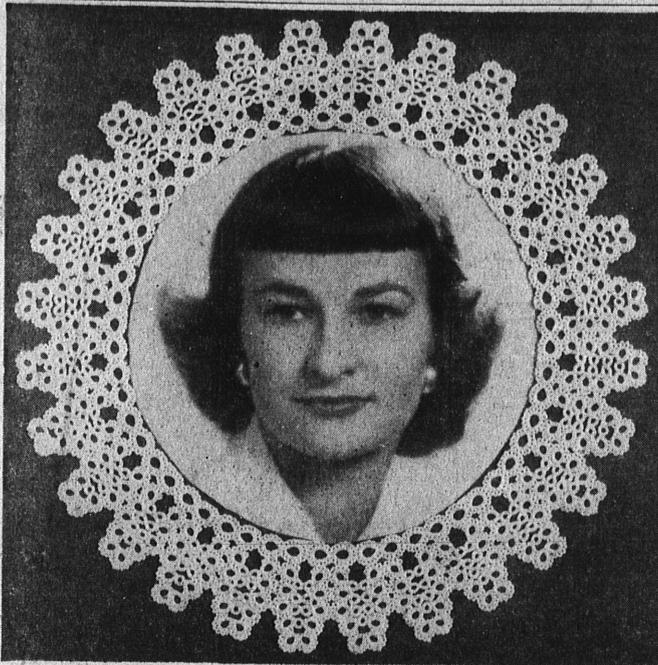


Two Betrothal Announcements Highlight Valentine Week

Women's Activities

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MISS CARLOTTA DEAN

Carlotta Dean Betrothed to John Agapito

Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Dean, of 2414 Pacific Coast Highway, this week formally announced the engagement of their daughter Carlotta, to Mr. John Vincent Agapito Jr. son of Mrs. John A. Agapito Sr., and the late Mr. Agapito, pioneer Torrance residents.

Miss Dean, a member of the Torrance Herald staff, received her diploma from Torrance High School and attended El Camino Junior College where she was affiliated with Delta Sigma Chi sorority. She is also active in Torrance Junior Woman's Club. Mr. Agapito, a veteran of the United States Navy service was graduated from Torrance High School and from Compton City College. He is now employed with Barrington Welding Works, Torrance. The popular young couple plan a June wedding.

The betrothal earlier was revealed to sorority members at a Valentine party in the home of Miss Gerry Faren by means of a large valentine suspended from the living room wall inscribed with the names of the affianced couple.

Customary party games were played and ice cream molded in heart shapes and individual iced cakes were served.

Carlotta's classmates at Torrance High School learned of her engagement at a party given in the home of Miss Doris Lee Quaggin.

CONNIE SHOEMAKER TO BE MARRIED IN HOME CEREMONY

Plans have been made for a lovely home wedding on March 4th when Miss Connie Shoemaker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shoemaker, 1138 W. Ocean St. will become the bride of Gilbert F. Pharris.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Narbonne High School, winter class of '48. Her fiance is employed at Belmont Shore and during the second world war he served with the United States Navy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Pharris.

MRS. L. PRICE HONOREE AT STORK SHOWER

Mrs. Lawrence Price, 1058 W. 256th St. was the honoree at a well-appointed stork shower given recently at the home of Mrs. Victor Woolums, 2646 Marigold Avenue.

Approximately 25 guests were bidden to the lovely party and Bingo was the game chosen for diversion. After Mrs. Price had opened many lovely gifts in individual ice cream cakes made in the form of baby booties were served.

Townsend Club News

Torrance Townsend Club No. 1 extends to all interested persons a cordial invitation to attend their weekly dances on Friday evenings in Torrance Woman's clubhouse.

Good music for dancing will be provided from 8:15 until 11 p.m. Bunco players will enjoy a brief session of play between 7:30 and 8:15.

Mrs. Florence Hall, president, points out that her club's social affairs are open to everyone.

BIRTHDAY PARTY SURPRISE EVENT FOR MRS. GREEN

A surprise birthday party was held for Mrs. E. L. Green at her home, 1000 W. 256th Street recently when 22 guests arrived unexpectedly.

Miss Eva Hoffman, sister of Mrs. Green, arranged the party which got under way with the playing of bingo. Many gifts were received by Mrs. Green and ice cream, cake and coffee were served at a late hour.

Toloha Club Card Party Gala Affair

Toloha Club was hostess at an enjoyable benefit card party held Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Ruth Butth, 2339 239th street.

The valentine theme was followed for party decorations and at the close of play, delicious homemade apple pie and coffee were served. Proceeds from the benefit affair will provide materials for layettes for new babies of less fortunate families.

Prize winners were Misses Jipson and Pullman, 500; June Laszki and Mr. Edgar White, pinochle; and Mary Towler, bunco. Mrs. C. J. Graming was recipient of a door prize.

Mrs. Mary Towler will open her home for the regular business meeting Friday evening, Feb. 18.

IRENE SMITH IS HONORED

Mrs. Irene Smith was the surprised honoree at a party arranged Monday evening in her home, 220th street at Arlington avenue, on the occasion of her birthday.



Betty Jean Berry

John Rush Will Marry Miss Berry

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Neill Berry, of 3442 Madrona avenue, have announced the engagement of their daughter Betty Jean, to Mr. John S. Rush, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ragland, of 1831 West 214th street.

The lovely young bride-elect is a senior at Torrance High School and will graduate with the class of June 1949. Her fiance also was educated in Torrance High School and is a veteran of United States Marine Corps. Upon his return from overseas duty he accepted a position with American Standard Sanitary Corporation, Torrance plant.

The couple have not set their wedding date.

Guild Slates Square Dance

Members of the finance committee of St. Cecilia's Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church are completing plans for their next square dance in Parish House Wednesday, Feb. 23, beginning at 8 o'clock. Everyone is invited.

By popular demand, Mrs. Kay Davis has been re-engaged as caller.

Punch will be served without charge and Mrs. Anna Sandstrom and her committee will dispense hot coffee and doughnuts at the attractive snack bar.

A donation of 50 cents per person will be accepted by Mrs. Margaret Alter, finance committee chairman.

MATRONS HONOR MRS. VAN DYKE WITH SHOWER

Mrs. James Van Dyke of 1027 Pacific Coast highway was pleasantly surprised Friday night when a group of guests arrived to honor her with a stork shower. Arranging the party were Mrs. Stanley Watts, Mrs. E. L. Green, Mrs. Everett Ables, and Mrs. Elizabeth Turner.

Pink and blue decorations were further enhanced with a large stork which centered the refreshment table from which the cake, ice cream and coffee were served following an evening of games and the presentation of shower gifts.

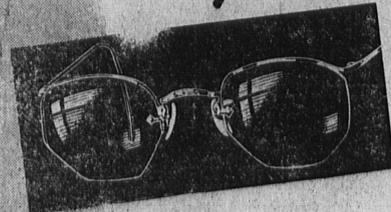
BINGO PLAYED BY GUESTS AT KELLY HOME

Bingo was played during the evening when a group of 22 ladies recently surprised Mrs. Russell Blaine of 25642 Marigold Ave. on the occasion of her birthday.

Gathering at the home of Mrs. C. Kelly, 25638 Marigold Ave., the honoree was the recipient of many gifts.

A decorated birthday cake was cut late in the evening and served with ice cream.

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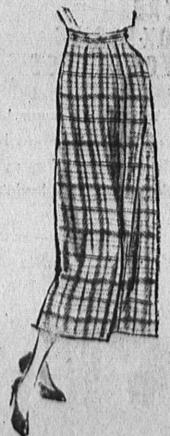
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